**TRAFFIC ORDINANCE**

**Town of South Hero**

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1007 and 1008, and Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated Sections 1971 and 2291(1), (4) and (5), and such other general enactments as may be material hereto, it is hereby ordained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of South Hero that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted for the Town of South Hero, Vermont.

**ARTICLE I**

**DEFINITIONS**

The definitions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4 are incorporated by reference.

**ARTICLE II**

**SCOPE**

This ordinance establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of South Hero, Vermont.

**ARTICLE III**

**TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES**

**Section 1.** It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device except in response to the direction of a law enforcement officer.

**Section 2.** It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter, and/or tamper with any traffic control device.

**Section 3.** It shall be unlawful for any person to install any sign or device, which may resemble or be mistaken for an official traffic control device, without prior approval of the Town of South Hero, Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE IV**

**SPEED REGULATIONS**

On the basis of engineering and traffic studies, the following speed limits are hereby established:

T.H.#1, Station Road, - A maximum speed of 40 (30) mph for its entire length.

T.H.#2&4, South Street, - A maximum speed of 35 (40) mph for its entire length, except for the school zone, where the maximum speed of 25 (30) mph, and from SS189 to SS240 where the maximum speed is 25mph.

T.H.#3, Town Line Road, - A maximum speed of 30mph for its entire length.

T.H.#5, Eagle Camp Road, - A maximum speed of 25mph for its entire length.

T.H.#6&13, West Shore Road, - A maximum speed of 25mph from Hall Rd. to Crescent Bay Rd. (Fred Lanes to Harlow Whites) (and by White’s Beach), and a maximum speed of 35 for the rest of its length.

T.H.#7, Sweeney Farm Road, - A maximum speed of 25mph for its entire length.

T.H.#8, Sunset View Road, - A maximum speed of 25mph for its entire length.

T.H.#9, Keeler’s Bay Road, - A maximum speed of 25mph for its entire length.

T.H.#10, Hill Road, - A maximum speed of 25mph for its entire length.

T.H.#11, 12 & 21, Kibbe Point Road, - A maximum speed of 35mph for its entire length.

T.H.#14, Lakeview Drive, - A maximum speed of 35mph for its entire length.

T.H.#15, Landon Road, - A maximum speed of 40mph from U.S. 2 to East Shore Road (T.H.#17) and of 35 from East Shore Road (T.H. #17) to South Street (T.H.#2).

T.H.#16, Whipple Road, - A maximum speed of 35mph for its entire length.

T.H.#17, East Shore Road – A maximum speed of 35 mph for its entire length.

T.H. #17, Hochelaga Road, - A maximum speed of 25 (35)mph for its entire length.

T.H.#18, Martin Road, - A maximum speed of 35mph for its entire length.

T.H.#19, Tracy Road, - A maximum speed of 35 (30)mph for its entire length.

T.H.#20, Lavigne Road – A maximum speed of 25mph for its entire length *[Doesn’t seem to be room for even 10mph, but the minimum speed limit allowed is 25mph.]*

The above speed limits shall be posted in accordance with the standards set forth in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and shall be in effect when so posted.

**ARTICLE V**

**STOP REGULATIONS**

**Section 1.** The following intersections shall be designated as stop intersections and shall be so signed:

Eastbound T.H. #1, Tracy Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Eastbound T.H. #1, Station Road, entering T.H. #1, Tracy Road

Eastbound T.H. #1, Station Road, entering T.H. #19, Tracy Road

Westbound T. H. #1, Tracy Road, entering T.H. #1 Station Rd.

Westbound T.H. #1, Station Road, entering T.H. #6 & 13, West Shore Road

Northbound T.H. #2, South Street, entering U.S. Route 2

Westbound T.H. #3, Town Line Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Eastbound T.H. #5, Eagle Camp Road entering VT Route 314

Westbound T.H. #5, Eagle Camp Road, entering T.H. #6, West Shore Road

Northbound T.H. #6, West Shore Road, entering VT Route 314

Northbound T.H. #7, Sweeney Road, entering T.H. #3, Town Line Road

Eastbound T.H. #8, Sunset View Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Westbound T.H. #8, Sunset View Road, entering T.H. #6, West Shore Road

Westbound T.H. #9, Keeler’s Bay Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Southbound T.H. #10, Hill Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Southbound T.H. #11, Kibbe Farm Road, entering T.H. #12, Kibbe Point Road

Southbound T.H. #12, Kibbe Point Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Eastbound T.H. #13, West Shore Road entering T.H. #2 & 4, South Street

Northbound T.H. #14, Lakeview Road, entering T.H. #1, Station Road

Southbound T.H. #14, Lakeview Road, entering T.H. 13, West Shore Road

Eastbound T.H. #15, Landon Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Westbound T.H. #15, Landon Road, entering T.H. #2, South Street

Eastbound T.H. #16, Whipple Road, entering T.H. #17, East Shore Road

Westbound T.H. #16, Whipple Road, entering T.H. #2, South Street

Northbound T.H. #17, East Shore Road, entering T.H. #15, Landon Road

Eastbound T.H. #18, Martin Road, entering T.H. #4, South Street

Northbound Vermont Fish & Wildlife property access road entering T.H. #18, Martin Road

Eastbound T.H. #19, Tracy Road, entering U.S. Route 2

Westbound T.H. #20, Lavigne Road entering U.S. Route 2

Westbound T.H. #21, Haycorn Hollow Road, entering T.H. #12, Kibbe Point Road

Eastbound T.H. #23, Peter’s Farm Road entering T.H. #15, Landon Road

Westbound T.H. #23, Peter’s Farm Road entering U.S. Route 2

**ARTICLE VI**

**PARKING REGULATIONS**

**Section 1.** It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle overnight on any Town road and property without prior approval of the Town of South Hero, Board of Selectmen.

**Section 2.** Any Vehicle parked in violation of Section 1 may be summarily removed at the owner’s expense, by order of any law enforcement officer, the Road Commissioner or Selectmen.

**Section 3.** If the owner of a vehicle summarily removed under Section 2 hereof does not claim such vehicle within thirty (30) days of such removal, the title to such vehicle shall become Town property and the vehicle may be sold or otherwise disposed of in accordance with Title 27, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 11.

**Section 4.** Nothing in this Article shall be construed to make unlawful vehicular stops in obedience to the direction of a law enforcement officer or for causes beyond the control of the operator.

**ARTICLE VII**

**LOADED VEHICLES**

No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded so as to prevent its contents from dropping, sitting, leaking or otherwise escaping from the vehicle.

**ARTICLE VIII**

**DRIVEWAYS AND DRAINAGE PIPES**

All new driveways and associated drainage pipes shall conform to the standards of Vermont Agency of Transportation Standard B-71.

**ARTICLE IX**

**(FOOD CARTS) MOBILE VENDORS**

Use of a mobile vendor (food cart) on a public right-of-way or within the setback for a public right-of-way shall require approval from the Town Selectboard after review and approval by the Development Review Board.

**ARTICLE X**

**FENCES & STRUCTURES ON TOWN RIGHT-OF-WAY**

Placement of a fence or other structures on a public right-of-way shall require approval from the Town Selectboard.

**ARTICLE XI**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Section 1. Separate Offences:**

Each violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed as a separate offense.

**Section 2. Penalties:**

The provisions of this ordinance shall be cumulative to the fullest extent permitted by law with respect to all other statures or ordinances now or hereafter adopted regardless of their order of passage or enactment.

**Section 3. Severability:**

The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provisions hereof are adjudged invalid, such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provisions.

**Section 4. Designation:**

This ordinance may be referred to as the South Hero Traffic Ordinance and in a prosecution hereunder a copy of such ordinance, certified by the Town Clerk, shall be prima facie evidence thereof. Any allegation that the act constituting the offense charged is contrary to a specified provision of this ordinance shall be sufficient reference hereto.

**Section 5. Repeal of Prior Ordinances:**

Any other ordinance or traffic regulation heretofore adopted by the Town of South Hero is hereby repealed.

**Section 6. Publication and Posting:**

This ordinance shall be published in The Islander on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024 and shall be filed with the South Hero Town Clerk on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Adoption by the Board of Selectmen, Town of South Hero at its meeting held on the XX day of MONTH, 2013.

ADOPTION BY THE SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF SOUTH HERO AT ITS MEETING HELD ON JUNE 24, 2024.

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